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SERVICE FEE MEMORANDUM
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TO: Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Staff
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FROM: Pat Selch, Program Administrator
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RE: Professional Fee for Personalized Assistive Listening Devices (ALD's)

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation has developed a professional fee for personalized wireless assistive listening devices (includes 3 fittings and/or adjustments) recommended by audiologist. Examples of some personalized wireless ALD's are: Oticon's Streamer, Phonak's iCom or SmartLink or MicroLink, Siemens' TEK. These devices are unique in that they can be specifically tailored to the consumer's communication demands of the job and often require training to learn how and when to use the system to enhance communication on the job. DHHS Branch approval is required to purchase a personalized wireless ALD. For this approval, send audiological report, hearing aid evaluation, communication assessment, the ALD recommendation. **If the product is not included on OVR's price list, please provide the** manufacturer's price list for the ALD to the Program Administrator of Hard of Hearing/Late Deafened Services in Central Office. Also, you must indicate on the description line of the authorization that approval was obtained. ALDs as a service falls under "rehabilitation Technology" however these items will be purchased out of the caseload budget using expenditure code 92E.

The Professional Fee is a medical service and as such falls under "diagnosis and treatment" and will therefore be subject to cost participation. This service includes adjustments of personalized wireless assistive listening devices as well as training on the proper use of the assistive listening devices.

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Code	Procedure	Allowable Rate
00110	Traditional ALD's (i.e. Phonic Ear, Comtek, William Sounds) do not require an exception. These traditional ALD's can be purchased directly from technology vendors and do not require an audiologist to order and/or fit the ALD. No professional fee with traditional ALD's.	Vendor's Cost Exp Cat 92E BUN caseload
00111	EXCEPTION***Requires DHHS Branch approval *** <u>ONLY</u> if ALD is not listed or the cost is more on the OVR price list Personalized Wireless ALD - TRANSMITTER & RECEIVER(i.e. MicroLink, TEK, Streamer, iCom, etc.)	By Report Exp Cat 92E BUN caseload
00112	Audio boots/shoes	\$ 40.00 Exp Cat 92E BUN caseload
00113	Professional Fee to include training and/or adjustments of personalized wireless assistive listening device [includes new or retro fitting, adjustments, counseling, and 2 follow up visits (total of 3 visits).]	\$110.00 Exp cat 24G BUN caseload